

## PANEL RESULTS & COMMENTS 2020 PROJECT SUPPORT II



### Thea Bowman Center

**Your Project Title:** Thea Bowman Community Music Group

**Your Project Summary:** This project will include youth 5- 13 years old in Mt Pleasant to learning to use their talents as potential music artist playing the violin and other instruments as well as singing. These children are current music students continuing to participate from previous years ,new recruitments from the summer program 2019 and and new children from the upcoming school year.

**Final Score: Yes.** Overall, the panel felt that the applicant provided evidence throughout the application that the funding criteria were met.

**CAC Grant Amount: \$5,000**

To ensure an impartial and transparent application review process, CAC convened an online panel of arts and cultural professionals from outside the region who evaluated and scored eligible applications.

Panelists scored each application based on the Funding Criteria—Public Benefit, Artistic and Cultural Vibrancy and Organizational Capacity—with an emphasis on Public Benefit. For more details regarding the panel process and full panelist bios, please review the [Panel Guide](#).



**Maxine Gaiber**  
(Philadelphia, PA)



**Kirkston Tyrone  
Spann**  
(Chicago, IL)



**Rishard Allen**  
(Indianapolis, IN)

Below you will find the panel's scores and any feedback in response to the question: **With an emphasis on public benefit, does the applicant demonstrate evidence that it meets CAC's three funding criteria?**

Note: Panelist scores and comments are presented in no particular order.

### Panelist 1

**Score:** Yes

The applicant meets the funding consideration criteria of CAC. The funds requested will be utilized in a manner that will be a benefit to the community.

### Panelist 2

**Score:** Yes

This project meets CAC funding criteria. Its goal of supplementing the school day with music experiences not obtainable in the classroom is admirable. Partnerships and community support seem strong. Volunteers are highly committed, even offering to help purchase violins if necessary. Support letters from the school, students, and parents would have been helpful. More careful proofreading would have also strengthened the proposal.

### Panelist 3

**Score:** Yes

Project meets CAC's funding criteria. Most importantly, this project meets a clear and present need in the community due to music and art programs being cut. In addition to some additional proofreading, I would also recommend setting a stronger goal. What the applicant has provided is a project summary (re: "provide weekly music sessions to 25-30 youth at TBC..."). The goal should be something the organization hopes to accomplish in addition to completing the project.

Questions? Cuyahoga Arts & Culture is here to assist. Please contact:

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